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## IN THE CLAIMS:

- 1.-8. (Canceled)
- 9. (Cancel) Topical and systemic treatment of psoriasis patients with precursor molecules of epidermal growth factor, such as fibroblast growth factor.
- 10. (Cancel) Treatment with products, with similar biological action as EGF, such as urogastrone or fractions of the EGF molecule.
- 11. (Currently Amended) A method for treating psoriasis in a patient in need thereof comprising the step of administering a topical formulation,

wherein said formulation comprises epidermal growth factor as the sole active agent, and wherein the patient is a human being.

- 12. (Previously Added) The method according to claim 11, wherein the topical formulation contains EGF in a concentration of 0.01 to 50 micrograms/gram formulation.
- 13. (Previously Added) The method according to claim 11, wherein the topical formulation contains EGF in a concentration of 0.5 to 20 micrograms EGF/gram formulation.
- 14. (Previously Added) The method according to claim 11, wherein the formulation further comprises an anti-inflammatory product.
- 15. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1411, wherein the formulation is a topical cream containing 0.1 to 3% (w/w) of sulfadiazine and 0.5 to 20 micrograms EGF/gram formulation.
  - 16. (Currently Added) The method according to claim 1415, wherein the

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formulation comprises 10µg EGF and 1% (w/w) sulfadiazine.

17. (Cancel) A method for treating psoriasis in a patient in need thereof comprising the step of systemically administering 0.001 to 10 micrograms of EGF/kg body weight.